



## **Position Announcement**

# **SENIOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL**

## **Financial Fraud and Special Prosecutions Section (formerly Special Crimes Unit)**

Monthly Salary:  
\$10,275 - \$11,903

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2014**

### About the Organization

Attorney General Kamala D. Harris is the state's chief law enforcement officer, responsible for ensuring that state laws are uniformly and adequately enforced. The Department includes approximately 4,000 employees who provide legal and law enforcement services to the state, including representing the People of California in civil and criminal matters before trial courts, appellate courts and the supreme courts of California and the United States, and law enforcement activities such as criminal investigations, apprehending criminals, and exchanging criminal intelligence using state-of-the-art technology. More information is available at [www.oag.ca.gov](http://www.oag.ca.gov).

### About the Position

Under the direction of the Chief Assistant Attorney General, the Senior Assistant plans, directs and organizes the Financial Fraud and Special Prosecutions Section ("Fraud Section")—formerly the Special Crimes Unit—of the Division of Criminal Law. When requested by the Chief Assistant or the Executive Division, the Senior Assistant reports directly to the Attorney General and the Executive Division on the status of cases and on the subject areas described below. The Senior Assistant also directs the investigation and prosecution of individual cases as necessary; coordinates with District Attorneys, U.S. Attorneys, and other law enforcement agencies to ensure uniformity and consistency in the approaches to, and the treatment of, federal and state criminal prosecutions related to the Fraud Section's jurisdiction; and assists the Attorney General and the Executive Division in policy development on matters within the Fraud Section's jurisdiction.

The Fraud Section has responsibility for investigating and prosecuting complex criminal cases statewide primarily related to (1) financial, securities/investment, mortgage, and environmental fraud; (2) public corruption, including violations of the California Fair Political Practices Act; (3) "underground economy" crimes, including tax and revenue fraud and frauds perpetrated against workers; (4) transnational organized crime; and (5) human trafficking.

### Minimum Qualifications

Active membership in The State Bar of California and ten years of experience performing legal duties, four years of which must be at a level of responsibility equivalent to Deputy Attorney General III. The four years of experience at the level equivalent to Deputy Attorney General III level must be obtained in California state service. (Applicants who have completed nine and one-half years of the required total legal experience and three and one-half years of the required experience comparable to the Deputy Attorney General III level may be admitted into the examination. However, such applicants must complete the required 10 years' total legal experience and the four years of experience at the level equivalent to Deputy Attorney General III before they will be eligible for appointment.)

Experience in the "practice of law" is defined as: (1) only that legal experience acquired after admission to any State Bar, or (2) experience as a judicial clerk for a federal court, California's state courts, or any other state's courts, to constitute experience in the practice of law. For an individual's judicial clerkship to qualify as experience in the practice of law, the experience must have been gained after receipt of a Juris Doctor or equivalent degree.

### Desirable Qualifications

- Leadership, supervision, and coordination: Ability to effectively oversee the multi-disciplinary work of the Fraud Section's attorneys in multiple offices across the state, and to appropriately coordinate the Department of Justice's work with local, state, and federal law enforcement (including District Attorneys and U.S. Attorneys), as well as with the Department of Justice's other litigating units.
- Criminal trial work: Experience conducting all aspects of criminal prosecutions, from initial stages through trial by jury before state and federal courts. This includes extensive preliminary hearing experience and investigations conducted before state and federal grand juries.
- Criminal investigatory work: Experience reviewing search warrant orders and affidavits; familiarity with the constitutional statutory and court-directed parameters in securing, executing and serving warrants to ensure admissibility of seized evidence; identification, location and use of various forms of admissible, criminal evidence; identifying, preserving and using digital evidence; and guiding attorneys, investigators, paralegals, and auditors in developing evidence and preparing cases for trial.
- Training: Ability to train local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies on the investigation, charging, and prosecution of criminal matters within the Fraud Section's jurisdiction.
- Policy development and planning: Experience working on policy issues related to the interpretation and enforcement of criminal statutes, reviewing and recommending proposed legislation, offering guidance on the development of legal practices and policies; and awareness of current case law trends to guide the development of office policy and criminal practice. Ability to plan and forecast the future development and growth of the Fraud Section.

### To Apply

Please send your Standard State Application (STD678), resume, and a statement of qualifications (SOQ) no longer than two pages to: Danielle Newman at Department of Justice, PO Box 944255, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2550. Please [click here](#) to view the official bulletin.